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Sent: Monday, December 07, 2015 11:48 AM
To: Manville, Jennifer
Subject: Fw: L'Anse Warden Site Visit -- Revised Letter to From RA to KBIC Tribal President

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Date: 05/09/2012 08:30 AM
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Thanks Ryan. When Jeremy is back in the office possibly he could review the language you included below and provide any additional detail from the inspection that should be included in the letter. Next week I hope to redraft the letter from the RA to the Tribal President and share with ARD and WD.

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to: Jennifer Manville

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Jenny,

Jeremy is out of the office this week. Here is what I can say as of today. Once he is available, we can provide additional details.

From April 25 to April 27, 2012, EPA inspected the L'Anse Warden Electric Company (LWEC) power plant and the associated fuel aggregation site for compliance with its Clean Water Act National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permits. Both the LWEC power plant and the LWEC fuel aggregation site have current NPDES from the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality. The fuel aggregation site is covered under the MDEQ general industrial storm water permit, while the power plant has an individual permit that includes storm water. We contacted the facility in advance to obtain Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plans (SWPP) and each location has a current SWPP. The power plant maintains a settling pond that discharges to Keweenaw Bay of Lake Superior. EPA's is reviewing the findings from its inspection and will issue an inspection report detailing its findings.

▼ Dean Maraldo---05/07/2012 02:32:40 PM---Barbara/Jeremy: Please provide Jennifer with a summary of the findings from our recent inspection.

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Barbara/Jeremy: Please provide Jennifer with a summary of the findings from our recent inspection.

Thanks,
Dean

▼ Jennifer Manville---05/07/2012 01:49:30 PM---Hello Dean, Brian Bell suggested that I contact you concerning the recent inspection that WD conduc

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Hello Dean,

Brian Bell suggested that I contact you concerning the recent inspection that WD conducted at the L'Anse Warden facility. Earlier this year, a letter was drafted from the RA to the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community Tribal President concerning this site. The RA's office put a hold on this letter until ARD and WD conducted visits to the facility. It is my understanding that the letter is to be redrafted to include our findings from those visits. ARD has provided the following language:

"An inspector from Region 5 Air Enforcement visited the L'Anse Warden facility on April 9 and 10, 2012. The visit was unannounced to L'Anse Warden and initially consisted of exterior surveillance of the railroad tie grinding operation. The grinding operation is surrounded by a "wall" of railroad ties, such that the grinder itself cannot be seen. After observing the facility from the exterior on the afternoon of April 9, the inspector observed no visible emissions coming from the facility. After observing no visible emissions coming from the facility again on the morning of April 10, the inspector entered the facility and conducted an inspection accompanied by plant representatives. The inspector was told that the grinding operation had been running on its normal, nearly continuous process both the previous afternoon and that morning. After touring the facility, the inspector was given leave to conduct visible emission readings of the grinding operation.

At this point, the inspector drove approximately 1/4 mile downwind of the grinding operation and approached on foot. No visible emissions or noxious odors were detected. The inspector then positioned himself at two different points on the property for approximately 2 hours. During that time, the visible emissions observed were quite

minimal (consistently about 5% opacity when observed) and did not persist beyond a few feet of the grinder itself. An occasional "puff" of smoke was seen, but these were inconsistent and also dissipated within a few feet of the grinder."

Could you provide a summary of the WD findings to be included in the revised letter?

Please do not hesitate to contact me to discuss.

Thanks,

Jenny

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Jenny,

Jeremy Deyoe conducted the inspection for WD. I would suggest that you contact Dean Maraldo, Chief of the Water Enforcement and Compliance Branch regarding his report.

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